

What is claimed is:

1. A method for providing printing services, comprising:
 - assigning a telephone number to a printer;
 - associating a print job with said telephone number;
 - forwarding said print job from a print job source to a spooling server over a network;
 - associating the print job with the printer at the spooling server based on said telephone number;
 - forwarding the print job from the spooling server to the printer; and
 - printing said print job at said printer.
2. A method in accordance with claim 1, wherein:
 - said print job source comprises a facsimile machine;
 - and
 - the telephone number is associated with the print job by entering the telephone number at the facsimile machine.
3. A method in accordance with claim 1, wherein the print job source is one of a computer, a personal digital assistant device, a multifunction print device, an Internet appliance, a scanner, or a telephone.

4. A method in accordance with claim 1, wherein the network comprises:

at least one of a local area network, a wide area network, a global network, and the Internet.

5. A method in accordance with claim 1, wherein:

said print job source comprises a facsimile machine;

said print job comprises a facsimile; and

said network comprises the Internet.

6. A method in accordance with claim 5, further comprising:

receiving the facsimile from the facsimile machine at a facsimile server via the network;

assigning the telephone number to the printer at the facsimile server; and

forwarding the facsimile to the spooling server from the facsimile server.

7. A method in accordance with claim 6, wherein:

said facsimile server forwards the facsimile to the spooling server using one of Simple Mail Transport Protocol, Simple Object Access Protocol, Extensible Markup Language, Hypertext Transfer Protocol, or Hypertext Transfer Protocol Secure.

8. A method in accordance with claim 1, wherein the printer is connected to the network via a dedicated Internet connection.

9. A method in accordance with claim 1, wherein:

said print job is stored at said spooling server based on said telephone number;

said telephone number is dynamically assigned to the printer at a user interface associated with said printer; and

said printer requests said print job from said spooling server based on the assigned telephone number.

10. A system for providing printing services, comprising:

a printer having a telephone number assigned thereto;

a print job source for generating a print job and associating the print job with the telephone number; and

a spooling server capable of (i) receiving the print jobs from the print job source via a network; (ii) associating the print job with the printer based on said telephone number; and (iii) forwarding the print job to the printer for printing.

11. A system in accordance with claim 10, wherein:

said print job source comprises a facsimile machine;
and

the telephone number is associated with the print
job by entering the telephone number at the facsimile
machine.

12. A system in accordance with claim 10, wherein the
print job source is one of a computer, a personal digital
assistant device, a multifunction print device, an
Internet appliance, a scanner, or telephone.

13. A system in accordance with claim 10, wherein the
network comprises:

at least one of a local area network, a wide area
network, a global network, and the Internet.

14. A system in accordance with claim 10, wherein:

said print job source comprises a facsimile machine;
said print job comprises a facsimile; and
said network comprises the Internet.

15. A system in accordance with claim 14, further
comprising:

a facsimile server for:

receiving the facsimile from the facsimile
machine via the network;

assigning the telephone number to the printer;
and
forwarding the facsimile to the spooling
server.

16. A system in accordance with claim 15, wherein:

said facsimile server forwards the facsimile to the
spooling server using one of Simple Mail Transport
Protocol, Simple Object Access Protocol, Extensible
Markup Language, Hypertext Transfer Protocol, or
Hypertext Transfer Protocol Secure.

17. A system in accordance with claim 10, wherein the
printer is connected to the network via a dedicated
Internet connection.

18. A system in accordance with claim 10, wherein:

said print job is stored at said spooling server
based on said telephone number;

said telephone number is dynamically assigned to the
printer at a user interface associated with said printer;
and

said printer requests said print job from said
spooling server based on the assigned telephone number.